

Facial Skin Aging

A multidimensional phenotype

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1. Different skin color types age in a different manner.
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2. Men have more wrinkles at a younger age, but women catch up with them at an older age.
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3. Variations in the “red hair gene” *MC1R* are associated with looking two years older.
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4. The much-praised vitamin D shows no causal association with facial skin aging.
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5. Skin aging scatters in many and clusters in few.
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6. Many of the current limitations of GWAS are not insurmountable or can be overcome at least to some extent.
V Tam et al, Nat Rev Genet 2019
7. Artificial intelligence can be considered to score facial attractiveness and apparent age.
R Patcas et al, Int J Oral Maxillofac Surg 2019
8. Mortality is written on the face.
DA Gunn et al, J Gerontol A Biol Sci Med Sci 2016
9. Appearance-based education is more effective in promoting sunscreen use than health-based education.
W Tuong et al, J Am Acad Dermatol 2014
10. The universe doesn't allow perfection.
Stephen Hawking, 1942-2018
11. It is not only fine feathers that make fine birds.
Aesop, 620-564 BC